

RUSHVILLE PARKS & RECREATION BOARD  
MEETING TUESDAY AUGUST 10, 2010  
6:15 P.M.

**OPENING:** The regular meeting of the Parks & Recreation Board was held on Tuesday, August 10, 2010 at 6:15 p.m. at the Council Chambers located at 270 W. 15<sup>th</sup> Street. Meeting was called to order by Dave Malson, filling in for President Denny Corn.

Board members present: Dave Malson, Anna Karen Pennington, Sue Otte, Liz Crain, and Steve Sickbert. President Denny Corn was absent. Also, present was Parks Director Danny Mathews and Secretary Paula Shelton.

**MINUTES:** A motion was made by Steve Sickbert and seconded by Sue Otte to approve the July 13, 2010 minutes. Motion was then carried and approved.

**REPORTS:** Pool manager, Michele Kessler who was not present, sent her report for the month. In her report she stated that she had contacted other pool managers about the age of children allowed to enter pools without adult supervision. Some of the managers quoted 10 years old and a few suggested that the age be at least 12 years. This topic will be discussed further at the next board meeting. Danny Mathews also recommended to the board that Michele be retained as the pool manager for next year's season. This will also be discussed at the next meeting.

Billy Ray Goins reported to the board that the dredging work on Hodges Branch, which has not been done since 1971, is well underway and should be completed by the time school starts. He said that some of the larger boulders had been removed and that this cost is coming from the Street Department Fund. Also, this project has nothing to do with the Park Restaurant issue.

**CLAIMS:** Motion made by Steve Sickbert and seconded by Liz Crain to approve the claims. Motion was carried and approved.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** It was reported that the gospel fest to be held in September at the Amphitheater will not be held.

**NEW BUSINESS:** A report was given by Dave Malson from President Denny Corn, who had a meeting with the Mayor about the rental policies of the local Amphitheater. The Mayor stated to Denny that the Parks & Recreation Board would be the sole decision maker in the rental of the facility. Denny said the Mayor also stated if the event is a non-profit Rush County based organization, that there would be no rental charge and no insurance issue, because the city would cover the insurance. If an event is out of county and non-profit, they would be charged a rental fee and would need to provide insurance

It was suggested that the board see about doing an ad in the newspaper and on the radio advertising the Amphitheater. The board would also like to invite the board members of the Amphitheater to the October meeting.

Board member, Steve Sickbert, recommended a policy for vandalism for the parks and pool. It was suggested that pool manager, Michele Kessler, come up with a policy for her staff members and also part-time staff. Michele could get a copy of the City of Rushville staff handbook to go over some things that would deal with vandalism that could occur at the pool.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. Next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 14, 2010.

**Denny Corn,**  
**President**\_\_\_\_\_

**David Malson,**  
**Member**\_\_\_\_\_

**Anna Karen Pennington,**  
**Member**\_\_\_\_\_

**Liz Crain,**  
**Member**\_\_\_\_\_

**Steve Sickbert,**  
**Member**\_\_\_\_\_

**Sue Otte,**  
**Member**\_\_\_\_\_

**Paula Shelton,**  
**Secretary**\_\_\_\_\_